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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

PETER C. SIMPSON et al.

Application No.: Unassigned

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For: MICROFABRICATED

CAPILLARY ARRAY ELECTROPHORESIS DEVICE

AND METHOD

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, please enter the following amendments and remarks.

## IN THE SPECIFICATION:

After the title, please insert the following paragraph:

This application is a continuation of, and claims the benefit of priority from U.S. application No. US 08/965,738, filed on November 7, 1997, the full disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-36. Please substitute new claims 1-14.

A capillary array electrophoresis plate, comprising:

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50b > A2